Oct 9th. There came Joseph Cumming adm^r of Joseph Hooper late of Ann Arundel County and exhibited his account upon Oath upon his adm^con before the judges which remaineth upon Record and prayed further time to exhibite a further account and it is granted him. —

Eodem die There came Robert Smart who intermarryed Susan the adm^x of Richard Bennison late of Ann Arundel County and exhibited his account upon Oath before the judges upon the said adm^con which remaineth upon Record, and prayed longer time to add to the said account & it is granted him by the judges here. —

Eodem die There came Thomas Lindsey of Charles County who intermarryed Jane the Relict & Ex^tx of Robert Stotts and exhibited his account upon Oath before the judges which remaineth of Record and prayed further time to add to the same and it is granted him.

Eodem die Came the said Thomas Lindsey who intermarryed Jane the Relict and Executrix of Robert Stotts who was Executor of Richard Jones and exhibited an account of the Estate of the said Jones but could not make Oath to the same by reason of the death of the said Executor but producing what papers and receipts which were in his Custody The judges ordered the said account to be received, which remaineth upon Record in the Booke of Inventoryes & Accompts in this Court kept. —

Eodem die The indorsement upon the warrant for James Worth of Cecil County Gent together with the following Letter being presented to the judges which follow in these words vizt.

Mr^s Fuller utterly refuseth to give me bond, I desire yor Hon^rs advice what to doe in that case: I could committ her till she did doe it, but I doubt others would undoe it against, I doe not know whether it be safe, but I shall be ready to follow your Hon^rs Order and Judgment

Yr Hon^rs Humble Servt

J Wroth.

Kind S^r (In presuming to prove the Will of Walter Meekes deceased with one evidence) I hope I have in no wyse incurred your Hon^rs displeasure, the other being gone for England and the Estate being so cleare that no Creditor will suffer. And as in reference to Mr^s Ann Fuller by mistaking her with a Letter Testamentary before I had a bond I giving her the Letters could by no wise gett it from her againe, which I suppose she kept (by the persuasions of Others) on purpose to render me infamous to yr Honour as others have endeavoured before.

Yr Hon^rs everready Servt

Sept 28th 1688. J Wroth.

Title for the Honble Col Henry Darnall Attorney.

Ordered by the judges That Citacon issue to the Sheriff of Cecil County to Cite the said Ann Fuller to answer the premisses and render an account of her administration of her late Husbands estate, That the judges may proceed therein as to justice and Equity appertaine. Returnable the last tuesday in March next. —

Whereas Humphry Emerton late of Ann Arundel County died made his last Will and Testament in writing under his hand and Seale, wherein he appointed Jane his wife Executrix Dominus issued to Capt Henry Hanslap for probate of the same, to take the Oath of the said Executrix and to take the Oaths of the Appraisers. And the said Capt Hanslap having caused the said Will to be proved and summon the Appraisers and made return of the said Will doth also returne into this Office the Letters Testamentary with Duppy of the Will annexed underwritten Viz^t.

I doe hereby Certifie to the Honble Commissaryes That the abovenamed Executrix Jane Emerton refuseth to take the Oath of an Executrix according to forme (which to me was hereby sent)

Henry Hanslap.

June the 4th 1688.

Now here at this day to wit the first day of October Anno 1688 Ordered by the judges here That the said Letters Testamentary be and are held and of none effect and that the said Executrix take no benefitt thereby. —

Oct 9th. There was Exhibited the last Will and Testament of Robert Lambden late of Talbott County deceased proved before George Robotham Gent which Second to the judges here not sufficiently proved, And William Lambden Son of the deceased being present the judges demanded of him Who he would chuse for his Guardian. He answered Ralph Shirbourne, Whereupon the judges Ordered the Register to write to the Commissioner of the said County concerning the same, which was done in these words vizt

From the Commissaryes Office Oct 2d 1688.

Gentlemen Whereas Robert Lambden late of your County the 10th day of September 1680 made his last Will and Testament in writing under his hand and Seale which being requested to be proved by the Oathes of the Witnesses thereunto, Dominus issued to Mr George Robotham to call before him the witnesses to the same, Who made returne That James Wilson One of the Witnesses to the same declared upon Oath he saw the said Robert Lambden Signe Seale and acknowledge the said Will. — Likewise John Pitt declared he saw the same Will Signed Sealed & acknowledged but could not Swear for Conscience Sake, Wm Godfrey is gone out of the Country. Which said Will so as aforesaid proved The judges for Probate of Wills & government not sufficiently proved but invalid And Wm the Son of the deceased being present and being at full age (as is said) to chuse his Guardian, The judges demanded of him, who he would chuse who answered Ralph Shirbourne. Whereupon it is considered by the judges That (the said Wm chusing his Guardian) Such part or portion of the Estate of the said deed as accrue to the said Wm the Son may be secured in the hands of his Guardian. The Inventory of the Estate of the deceased is here enclosed, Wm Thomas who married with the Relict of the deceased being adm^r who you are desired to call before you to render an account thereof. — And for right and justice in this affair the judges referre to yr worships Discretion Having relation to the Act of Assembly for preservation of Orphans Estates and Securing filiall portions in such case made and provided

To the Worshipful the Commiss^rs of Talbott County in Court Sitting. Attest

By the judges Ord^r

Jno Blomfield Reg^r

Eodem die There was the account of Gwin Fairbrother & Jane his wife Ex^tx Wm Mitchell late of Ann Arundel County exhibited being proved before Capt Henry Hanslap and remaineth upon Record. —

Eodem There was exhibited bond of adm^con of Henry Bishop late of Somerset County Swan Bishop adm^r John Bishop and William Innis Securityes in Bond 8 tobacco. —

Eodem die Came Charles Ratcliff and Thomas Pointer Ex^tors of the last Will and Testament of Alexander Williams late of Somerset County who being Cited to render an account of their Executorship doe say they have nothing to account off The estate being now in the hands of the Heir of the said deceased.

Eodem die There came Edward Wale and Nathaniell Innis Ex^tors of the Testament of Edward Smith late of Somerset County Who being Cited to account upon their Executorship say they have nothing to account off The Estate being in possession of the Heir —

Eodem die Willmott Hill Ex^tx of Richard Hill late of Somerset County being Cited to appear here before the judges to render an account of her executorship — appeared and said she hath nothing to account off and prayed the judges she may no further be Cited And it is granted by the judges here. —